lest 1 might be surprised. I went into my castle (as I now called it), loaded all my muskets and pistols, and resolved to defend myself to the last gasp. After sitting there for about two hours, 1 was not able to bear the suspense any longer ; so I mounted to the top of the hill and., pulling out my telescope, I began to look for the place. 1 presently found that there were no less than nine naked savages sitting round a small fire they had made, not to warm them, for they had no need of that, the weather being extreme hot, but, as I supposed, to dress some of their barbarous diet of human flesh which they had -brought with them.

They had two canoes with them, drawn up on the shore ; and as soon as the tide made to the westward, I saw them all take boat and paddle away towards the mainland.

- XXV. *A Shipwreck*

I spent my days now in great perplexity and anxiety of mind, expecting that I should, one day or other, fall into the hands of these

merciless creatures* 1 slept unquiet, dreamed always frightful dreams, and often started out of my sleep in the night. However, I wore